

c. SUBJECT : [ ] Collaboration with Hilfsbuero fuer Heimatlosen Auslaender in Dusseldorf.

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1. As I reported earlier, beginning in January 1955, [ ] undertook to prepare monthly reports on the situation in the Ukraine for (Professor) von MENDE of the Hilfsbuero fuer Heimatlosen Auslaender in Dusseldorf. The first of such reports, consisting of approximately 45 typewritten pages, was passed on to von MENDE on 6 February 1955. For this report he used:

- (a) Soviet press publications like the Soviet Ukraine, Pravda, Izvestia, the Red Star, etc.
- (b) Various Soviet radio broadcasts made both in Ukrainian and in Russian.
- (c) Other source material.

2. [ ] visited von MENDE personally last week in Dusseldorf. Von MENDE was very pleased with [ ] report and stated: "There are only two individuals in Germany who are well-oriented on the actual situation in the Ukraine. They are you and I; you because you prepared this excellent report and me because I read it."

3. During their conversation, von MENDE indicated that he has tried to have

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others prepare reports on the Ukraine for him. The reports prepared by these individuals are worthless, in von MENDE's statement, when compared to [ ] Von MENDE, having heard that an Institute for Soviet Studies exists as part of ZCH OUN/BANDERA, requested of the ZCH OUN the preparation of reports on the Ukraine for which the ZCH OUN/BANDERA would be remunerated. (Professor) LENKAVSKY has been sending monthly reports to von MENDE in accordance with this requirement. These reports however, are of little value, affirms von MENDE. He showed a sample to [ ] who affirmed that LENKAVSKY's report was of little value. Von MENDE made the same request of ZP UHVR who assigned (Dr) Lyubomir ORTINSKY to the task. ORTINSKY sent his reports in several times but because they were so primitive, von MENDE refused to accept any further work from ORTINSKY and has severed his relationship with him.

4. [ ] is proud of the fact that such personalities as ORTINSKY and LENKAVSKY were unable to produce as well as he. He currently receives 400 DM monthly from von MENDE but expects to receive 500 DM monthly after March. Of this sum he pays 150 DM monthly to BACHINSKY, his librarian-researcher. [ ] mentioned that he will also transmit one copy of these reports to the UN RADA and another to President (Dr) Stephan VITVITSKY; this met with von MENDE's approval. It is [ ] desire to establish himself as an expert on Soviet affairs in the eyes of the UN RADA.

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